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371 372	25th „	..	..	680	*'Atá-ulláh Khán.* — Directing that the Honourable the Agent to the Governor-General in Baluchistan be addressed regarding the request of — to be given a sum of Rs. 30,000 in settlement of his claim against the Pudukkóttai State and to be allowed to reside in Benares.
373	25th „	..	No. 374 of 1892. No. 354 of 1896. No. 262 of 1898.	519 541	*Petition.*—Declining to entertain the request of Muhammad Bég that the allowances enjoyed by him should be transferred to the name of his son, Mirzá Ahmad 'Ali Sultán.
374	25th „	..	..	796	*Carnatic stipendiaries.* — Sanctioning the list of bonuses to be granted to the heirs of the late Carnatic stipendiary, Jáni Bégam.
375	26th „	..	No. 264 of 1899.	817	*Annual returns of officers in foreign service in Native States in the Madras Presidency.* — Communicating to all Political officers, with remarks, letter from the Government of India requesting that in future returns (including that for 1900–1901) the reason may be given in every case in which a contribution towards leave or pension has not been received.
376	26th „	..	..	761	*Carnatic stipends.* —Accepting the recommendation of the Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends, for the grant of a compassionate allowance of Rs. 8-1-11 per mensem to Bi Bégam, widow of the deceased Carnatic stipendiary No. 4406, Saiyid Muhammad Zikir.

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378	1901. 27th June	..	Nos. 183–84 of 1901.	815	*Consul for Germany at Cochin.*—Recording letter from the Government of India forwarding copy of a despatch from the Secretary of State communicating the confirmation of the appointment of Mr. C. F. Roth as — and stating that the appointment has been announced in the *Gazette of India;* and directing republication of the notification in the *Fort St. George Gazette.*
389A 389B	28th ,,	..	Nos. 82–83 of 1901.	802	*French "Loge" at Calicut.*—(Confdl.).

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MISCELLANEOUS PAPERS IN ORDINARY SERIES, POLITICAL DEPARTMENT,

FOR THE

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	1901.				
305	3rd June	..	..	659	*Petition.* — Informing Karim-un--nisa Begam that her request for the grant of a pension to her out of the lapsed stipend of her sister is inadmissible.
308	4th „	..	..	668	*Sulaiman Jah.*— Giving — a second opportunity of passing the final examination of the Police training school, Vellore, and stating that orders will issue in the Educational department in regard to the proposal to permit him to appear for the Criminal test, lower grade.
311	5th „	..	No. 302 of 1901.	..	*Murder in Travancore High Ranges* — Recording certain papers regarding the occurrence of a —.
312	5th „	..	No. 289 of 1901.	..	*Administration of the Banganapalle State.*— Recording, in continuation of G.O., No. 289, Political, dated 21st May 1901, certain papers regarding the —.
313	5th „	..	..	709	*Interportal trade convention of 1865.*— Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin proceedings, Revenue department. sanctioning the payment to the Cochin State of Rs. 1,10,500, being the amount of compensation due to it for 1900-1901 under the —.
315	5th „	..	..	699	*Cochin State loan.* — Recording tabular statement showing the result of the opening of tenders on 16th May 1901 for the — of ten lakhs.

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316	1901. 5th June.	..	..	618	*Body guard of His Highness the Maharaja of Travancore.* — Forwarding to the Superintendent, Army Clothing, for compliance, indent for worsted tape and braid for the —.
317 318	5th „	..	..	702	*Kandyan pensioner.* — Communicating to the Government Agent, Tanjore, for the necessary action, letter from the Ceylon Government sanctioning the payment of a funeral allowance of Rs. 200 and of a tomb allowance of Rs. 100 to — Angalaswami Raja.
319	5th „	..	..	701	——— Communicating in continuation of G.O., No. 210, dated 4th April 1901, to the Government Agent, Tanjore, for the necessary action, letter from the Ceylon Government stating that the request of the — Soundaravalli Ammal for the grant of a separate pension cannot be entertained, and requesting that her brother may be warned that his sister's pension should be regularly paid.
320	6th „	..	..	660	*Death of a Child in the Cochin Raja's Family.*— Recording letter from the Resident in Travancore and Cochin reporting the — and informing the Resident that the Government does not propose passing orders of condolence or congratulation on the occasion of deaths or births in the family of the Maharaja of Travancore or the Raja of Cochin.
321	6th „	..	..	725	*Visit of His Excellency the Governor of Pondicherry to Ootacamund.*— Requesting the Deputy Adjutant-General to arrange for a salute of 17 guns being fired for Monsieur Rodier, the Governor of Pondicherry, on his arrival in Ootacamund on the 8th June 1901 on a visit to His Excellency the Governor of Madras.
322A	7th „	..	..	724	*Case of murder in the Travancore High Ranges.*—

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323	1901. 10th June	..	No. 474 of 1899. No. 572 of 1889. No. 292 of 1901.	689	*Her Highness M. Chimamba Boi Sahiba.* — Directing that, in consequence of the death of —, one of the junior Ranis of the Tanjore Palace, her name should be omitted from the list of persons entitled to be styled "Highness" furnished with the letter from the Government Agent, Tanjore, No. 26, dated 18th April 1899.
324 325	11th "	..	..	734	*Agreement for working the Peralam-Karaikkal Railway.* — Directing that His Excellency the Governor of the French Settlements in India be addressed on the subject of the proposals put forward in the clause headed "Net receipts" in the —.
328	12th "	..	..	671	*Nayar Brigade.* — Communicating to the Deputy Adjutant-General, Madras Command, letter from the Resident in Travancore and Cochin forwarding requisition for the services of a non-commissioned infantry officer for appointment as sergeant-major and drill instructor to the — in the place of Sergeant-Major Cox, and requesting that the Government may be favoured with a list of qualified candidates willing to accept the appointment on the terms proposed.
329 330	12th "	..	..	745	*Kandyan Pensioners.*—Forwarding to the Ceylon Government, in original, a statement and progress reports in connection with the education of the children of — in the Tanjore district during the year 1900.
332	13th "	..	..	752	*Certificates of Identity granted to Natives of India visiting England and other Foreign Countries.*— Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin and to the Political Agents, Pudukkóttai, Banganapalle and Sandur in continuation of G.O., No. 772, Political, dated 19th November 1900, Public department proceedings communicating letter from the Government of India directing that certificates of identity should be granted in all cases of natives of India proceeding to England, whether direct or after first visiting some foreign country.

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333	1901. 14th June	..	..	741	*Petition.* — Declining to grant a pedigree certificate to Ghaus Muhiuddin Husain, an ex-Carnatic stipendiary.
334	15th „	..	..	764	*Exchange compensation allowance.* —Communicating to the Resident in Travancore Financial department proceedings sanctioning the grant by the Darbar of — to Lieutenant A. H. Butler, Commanding First Battalion, Nayar Brigade.
335 336	15th „	..	..	726	*Companion of the Indian Empire.*— Acknowledging the receipt of His Majesty's grant conferring the dignity of — upon Mr. Sim together with the badge and the copy of the statutes of the orders, and directing that they be forwarded to Mr. Sim.
337	15th „	..	..	658	*Her Highness Nawab Begam Sahiba of Carnatic.* — Making certain arrangements on the occasion of the journey of — to Hyderabad; regretting that her request for a salute cannot be acceded to; and stating that a copy of Her Highness's programme will be awaited before addressing the Resident at Hyderabad and the Madras district officers.
338	17th „	..	..	770	*Survey.* — Communicating to the Revenue department letter from the Resident in Travancore requesting that the Superintendent of Survey, Madras, may be asked to undertake the — of the Kakur village, Madura district.
340	17th „	..	..	771 772	*Exchange compensation allowance.*— Communicating to the Resident in Travancore Financial department proceedings sanctioning the payment of — by the Travancore darbar to Lieutenant Hodgkinson, officiating commandant of the 2nd Battalion Nayar Brigade.
343 344	19th „	..	..	706	*Petition.*—Transferring to the Resident in Hyderabad, for disposal, — from Sri Rao Bapu Ranjit Singh dated 15th May 1901.
345	19th „	..	..	762	*Travancore murder case*—.

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346	1901. 19th June	..	..	789	*British congress on tuberculosis.*—Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin, letter from the Government of India forwarding copies of certain papers received from the Secretary of State for India on the subject of the — which is to be held in London on the 22nd July 1901 and requesting him to transmit the papers to the darbars with the necessary explanation.
347 348	19th „	..	..	786	*Amir-ul-mulk, Chitrali.*—Forwarding to the Government of India, for disposal, a petition (with translation) addressed by — to this Government.
349	19th „	..	..	775	*Loans and advances.*—Recording Financial department proceedings passing orders on the preliminary statement of receipts and disbursements under the provincial advance and loans account for March 1901.
350	19th „	..	..	700	*Temporary appointments and deputations.*—Recording Financial department proceedings on letter from the Government of India inviting attention to the resolution of the Finance and Commerce department No. 4031-Ex., dated 14th September 1898, regarding the submission of applications for the continuance of —, and requesting that the orders contained therein may be strictly observed in future.
351	20th „	..	No. 206 of 1901.	776	*Royal Indian Marine steamer.*—Recording Marine department proceedings communicating letter from the Government of India stating that a — will be provided annually for the inspection of the Laccadive Islands and requesting that ample notice may be given before the vessel is required.

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353 354	1901. 20th June	..	..	730	*Kandyan pensioner.* — Forwarding to the Ceylon Government a petition from — K. Narayanaswami Raja, together with a copy of report on it by the Collector of Madura.
357	21st "	..	..	788 804	*Travancore murder case.* — (Confidential).
358	21st "	..	..	791	*Rules for the protection of railway bridges.*—Informing the Resident in Travancore and Cochin that the Government have no objection to the proposed issue by the Cochin darbar of the — either under the Forest Regulation, which has, with the exception of chapter II, met with the approval of the Governor in Council, or by a special proclamation.
359 360	22nd "	..	..	798	*Kandyan pensioner.* — Forwarding to the Government of Ceylon a petition from — R. Kannayya Nayudu, together with a copy of a report on it by the Collector of Madura.
361	22nd "	..	..	738	*Petition.*—Declining to admit the prayer of Fath-un-nisá for a continuance of the pension drawn by her mother Sa'íd-un-nisá.
362	22nd "	..	..	740	——— Referring Mirzá Sikandar Bakhsh to the orders already passed on his case in answer to his — praying for the restoration of the whole of the stipend once enjoyed by him or for an exemption from examination rules.
363	22nd "	..	G.O., No. 308, dated 4th June 1901.	797	*Sulaimán Jah.*—Communicating to the Inspector-General of Police Educational department proceedings permitting — to appear for the Criminal test, lower grade.

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364	1901. 22nd June	..	No. 203 of 1901.	799	*Consul for the Netherlands at Madras.* —Recording letter from the Government of India stating that the confirmation by His Majesty's Government of the provisional appointment of Mr. D. A. Stuart as — has been announced in the *Gazette of India* and directing republication of the notification in the *Fort St. George Gazette.*
365	22nd „	..	..	778	*Munshi 'Abd-ur-rahim of the Diwan's office, Sandur.* — Stating that the Governor in Council is of opinion that the services of — have been sufficiently rewarded by the grant of rent-free lands and that no pension can be allowed him.
366	22nd „	..	..	722	*Irrecoverable arrears of land revenue in the Sandur state.*—Sanctioning the writing off of —.
369 370	24th „	..	..	510	*The Mysore Excise Regulation.*—Informing the Government of India that the Governor in Council finds nothing to disapprove of in the Mysore darbar's proposed regulation to amend the excise law of that State.
377	26th „	..	..	790	*Annual inspection of gosha Carnatic stipendiaries.* — Sanctioning payment to Mrs. Firth of the usual carriage hire allowance of Rs. 450 in connection with her — and requesting the Paymaster to convey to her the thanks of Government for her services.
379	27th „	..	..	821	*Stations on the Shoranur-Cochin Railway.*—Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin Public Works department (Railway Branch) proceedings approving of the spelling and code initials of the names of —.
380	27th „	..	Nos. 185-86 of 1901.	826	*Departure of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore from Ootacamund.*—Communicating to the Collector of the Nilgiris and the Deputy Adjutant-General, Madras Command, telegram from the Resident in Mysore reporting the proposed — on the 2nd July 1901, and requesting the Deputy Adjutant-General to arrange for the usual salute.

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381 382	1901. 27th June	..	..	820	*Employment of Mr. Thomas Clark Oswald, a mining engineer, by the Pudukkóttai darbar.* — Directing that the Government of India be addressed regarding the — for a period of six months for the purpose of conducting a mineralogical survey of the Pudukkóttai State.
383	27th „	..	No. 304 of 1901. No. 587 of 1900.	811 823	*Captain L. G. Andrews.*—Informing the Resident in Travancore and Cochin, by telegram, that the services of —, Assistant Resident in Travancore and Cochin, are required immediately by the Military authorities to officiate as second in command, 19th Madras Infantry, and requesting that he may be relieved as soon as possible.
384	28th „	..	..	824	*Interportal trade convention.*—Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin Revenue department proceedings sanctioning the payment to the Travancore darbar of the sum of Rs. 39,910-6-5 due as compensation for the loss of duty during the year 1900–1901 under the — and requesting the Resident to furnish in the quarterly statements of imports of dutiable articles into Travancore detailed information as regards the quantities of articles imported and the rates of duty levied thereon.
385	28th „	..	No. 380 of 1901. No. 185 of 1901. No. 186 of 1901.	832	*Departure of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore from Ootacamund.*—Communicating to the Collector of the Nilgiris and the Deputy Adjutant-General, Madras Command, in continuation of G.O., No. 380, Political, dated 27th June 1901, telegram from the Resident in Mysore stating that the date of the — has been changed from the 2nd July 1901 to the 3rd *idem.*
386 387	28th „	.	..	787	*Shér Afzal Khán, Chitrali.*—Directing that a petition from — be forwarded to the Government of India.

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388	1901. 28th June.	..	No. 383 of 1901.	833	*Captain L. G. Andrews.*—Communicating to the Deputy Adjutant-General, Madras Command, telegram from the Resident in Travancore and Cochin stating that — will arrive at Madras on Thursday, the 11th July.
389	28th "	..	..	793	*Travancore scholarship-holders proceeding to England.*—Referring the Resident in Travancore and Cochin to G.O., No. 85, Political, dated 5th February 1900, under which he should forward to the Under Secretary of State for India a copy of the certificates of identity granted by him to the —.

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PAPERS IN THE ROUTINE SERIES,

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT,

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217	1901. 1st June	..	..	693	*Cases for the opinion of the Advocate-General.* — Recording Judicial department proceedings informing the Government Solicitor that, during the absence of the Advocate-General, urgent cases referred by Government for the opinion of that officer should be submitted to Sir V. Bhashyam Aiyangar.
218	3rd „	..	..	696	*Petition.*—Communicating to the petitioner, through the Resident in Travancore, Public department proceedings withholding, under the memorial rules, a — from T. K. Aiyappen Ramen of Kallurpara, Travancore, praying for a grant of money to clear his debts.
219	4th „	..	..	698	*Military lands.*—Recording Public Works department proceedings recording endorsement of the Quartermaster-General in India forwarding copy of a circular memorandum requesting that the opinion of the Local Government may invariably be recorded in all applications from railway or other civil authorities for permission to enter upon or occupy —.
220	4th „	..	..	697	*Plague cases in the Madras Presidency.*—Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin Local and Municipal department proceedings reporting to the Government of India the number of — for the week ending the 18th May 1901, and ordering the publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette* of statements showing the cases since August 1898.

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221	1901. 4th June	..	..	681	*Inspection Report of the Travancore Branch of the South Indian Railway.* — Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin, in continuation of G.O., No. 283, Political, dated 15th May 1901, Public Works department proceedings issuing an erratum to G.O., No. 753 Ry., dated 26th April 1901, embodying the —.
222	5th „	..	..	705	*Quarterly Return of Appointments in privilege leave vacancies.*—Recording Public department proceedings addressing the Government of India in regard to the scope of the quarterly return of cases in which there has been a departure from the principle that all short privilege leave vacancies should be filled by officers already in the district.
223	5th „	..	..	708	*Customs.*—Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin Revenue department proceedings regarding the classification of "Sirocco" and "Blackman's" fans as machinery free of — duty.
224	6th „	..	..	712	*Future Administration of the Laccadive Islands.* — Replying to reminder from the Government of India regarding the report about the — required by that Government.
225 226	6th „	..	..	711	*Communications to Native Chiefs.*—Forwarding to the Government of India copy of communication addressed to the Diwan of Travancore on the subject of G.O., No. 286, dated 17th May 1901.
227	6th „	..	..	..	*Murder in the Travancore High Ranges (Confidential).*
228	6th „	..	..	713	*Petition.*—Declining to interfere on behalf of E. A. Surrao, formerly a maistry in the Travancore Public Works department.
229	7th „	..	..	688	*Birth in Cochin Raja's Family*—Recording, with reference to G.O., No. 320, Political, dated 6th June 1901, letter from the Resident in Cochin reporting that Princess Ikkau Tamburan of His Highness the Cochin Raja's family gave birth to a daughter on the 20th April 1901.

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	1901.				
230	8th June	..	..	727	*Tupper's "Indian Political Practice."* —Forwarding to the Government of India a certificate of the delivery of the volumes of — by Mr. L. M. Wynch to Mr. A. R. Knapp.
231	10th "	..	..	749	*Arabic Newspaper "Fathal Bassayir."*- Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin proceedings, Revenue department, regarding the —.
232	10th "	..	..	749	——— Recording Revenue department proceedings regarding the —.
233	10th "	..	..	750	*Berlin wool.*—Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin Revenue department proceedings regarding the importation of —.
234	10th "	..	..	756	*Military Forces in Travancore and Cochin.*— Recording telegram from the Resident reporting the exact strength of the —.
235	10th "	..	..	733	*Combined Post and Telegraph office.* —Recording report of the opening of a — at Chalai Bazaar in the Travancore State.
236	10th "	..	..	731	*Petition.*— Endorsing paragraph XIV, C. Petition rules, on — from Mazhar-ul-islam Sáḥib praying that he may be granted an allowance.
237	10th "	..	..	720	——— Endorsing paragraph XIV, C. Petition rules, on — from Muḥammad Ubaidulla Sáḥib and Maḥmud-un-nisá Bégam, children of the late Muḥammad 'Abd-ur-rahmán Khán Bahadur, praying for an increased pension.
238	10th "	..	..	735	*Plague cases in the Madras Presidency.*—Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin Local and Municipal department proceedings reporting to the Government of India the number of — for the week ending the 25th May 1901, and ordering the publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette* of statements showing the cases since August 1898.
239	11th "	..	..	739	*Petition.*— Transferring to the Government Agent, Tanjore, — from V. Ry Yeswant Ratan Singh Rao Garu of Ratnagiri, Bombay, praying for the grant of some pension out of the lapsed pension of the Ranes of Tanjore.

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240	1901. 11th June	..	No. R. 96 of 1901.	743	*Imposition of fines upon clerical establishment.* — Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin and the Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends, Public department proceedings communicating to heads of departments, for information and guidance, the decision of the Government of India that the reduction of a clerk's pay for such a period as a month only would be a contravention of the rules abolishing the —, and that the rules may be relaxed in the case of purely temporary clerical establishments such as those employed in settlement operations.
241	11th „	..	..	744	*Plague-infected areas.* – Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin Local and Municipal department proceedings ordering the issue of a notification revising the list of —, and stating that persons arriving from such places and those coming from the railway stations notified for the purposes of the passport rules should be required to take out passports.
242	11th „	..	..	751	*Employment of hired attendants, &c.* —Communicating, in continuation of G.O., R. No. 120, Political, dated 14th March 1901, to all Political Officers, Public (Military) department proceedings communicating letter from the Government of India approving of certain alterations in the terms to be allowed in the —.
243	12th „	..	..	..	*Administration Report of the Banganapalle State.*—Forwarding to the Secretary, Political and Secret departments, India Office, London, two advance copies of the — for the official year 1900–1901.
244	12th „	..	..	754	*Bridge across the Chennar River.*— Communicating to the Public Works department, with reference to memorandum, No. 2429 C, dated 11th May 1901, letter from the Resident regarding the construction of the — on the north-east frontier of Travancore and the agreement entered into between Messrs. Finlay, Muir & Co. and the Darbar.

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245	1901. 12th June	..	..	753	*Regulations for the inspection of inward and outward bound vessels under the Epidemic Diseases Act.* —Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin Public Works department proceedings ordering that the revised — as amended in accordance with the observations of the Government of India be published in the Fort St. George and Maritime District Gazettes in English and in the vernaculars, and directing that copies of the same be forwarded to the Government of India.
246	13th „	..	..	721	*Privy purse expenditure of Native Chiefs.* — Informing the Government of India that the information called for in its letter No. 701/I A., dated 14th February 1901, was furnished to the Government of India with letter No. 307, Political, dated the 4th instant.
247	14th „	..	..	755	*Petition.*—Referring Lala Ganga Pershad of Cawnpore with reference to his complaint about the refusal of Lieutenant Hodgkinson (of the Nayar Brigade) to pay him house-rent to the Law Courts.
248	14th „	..	..	758	*Plague.* — Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin Marine department proceedings ordering that copy of telegram from His Majesty's Plenipotentiary at Pera intimating cases of — at Bagdad, the imposition there of inland quarantine and the prohibition of the transport of Shiite corpses to holy place, be published in the *Fort St. George Gazette.*
249	15th „	..	..	765	*Tupper's "Indian Political Practice."*—Forwarding to the Government of India (Foreign) certificate of delivery of the volumes of — by Mr. A. R. Knapp, I.C.S., to Mr. R. H. Campbell, I.C.S.

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250	1901. 15th June	..	..	714	*Permission to reside in Travancore.*—Granting Mr. Percy Edward Turner —.
251	15th „	..	..	763	*Plague cases in the Madras Presidency.* — Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin Local and Municipal department proceedings reporting to the Government of India the number of — for the week ending the 1st June 1901, and ordering the publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette* of statements showing the cases since August 1898.
252	15th „	..	..	767	*Refund of Customs Duties.* — Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin Revenue department proceedings communicating to the Board of Revenue a notification issued by the Government of India regarding the conditions on which refunds should be made of countervailing duties levied on sugars produced in Austria-Hungary, but which were shipped from ports of other countries, and ordering the republication of the notification in the *Fort St. George Gazette.*
253	15th „	..	..	768	*Customs Duty.*—Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin Revenue department proceedings communicating to the Board of Revenue letter from the Government of India exempting the payment of — on communion plate imported by a clergyman as part of his personal baggage.
254	15th „	..	..	766	——— Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin Revenue department proceedings communicating to the Board of Revenue a notification issued by the Government of India making certain changes in the rates of countervailing duties on Dutch sugars, and ordering the republication of the notification in the *Fort St. George Gazette.*

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255	1901. 17th June	..	..	..	*Travancore murder case.*—Confirming the telegram despatched to the Secretary of State on the 14th June 1901 regarding the —.
256	19th „	..	..	783	*Petition.* — Informing Kalathi Vittil Kunhikutti of Perunnail Kizhakkamuri, Chenganasseri taluk, Travancore, that he should address his representations regarding the refund of his security to the authorities in that State.
257	19th „	..	..	774	——— Informing Sabapathia Pillai of Talakkudi, Tovalai taluk, Travancore, that he should address his representations regarding the refund of his security to the authorities in that State.
258	19th „	..	..	784	*A. Subba Rao Avargal.* — Recording letter from the Resident in Travancore and Cochin reporting that — assumed charge of his duties as Superintendent of Police, Cochin, on the forenoon of the 29th May 1901.
259	19th „	..	..	759	*Permission to reside in Travancore.* —Pointing out to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin that the entries in columns 4 and 5 of a certain application for — are incomplete and appear to require revision, and stating that the profession as well as the nationality of the applicants should always be stated.
260	19th „	..	No. 137 of 1901. No. 176 of 1901. No. 222 R. of 1901.	781	*Quarterly returns of appointments in privilege leave vacancies.* — Recording Public department proceedings on letter from the Government of India stating that — should be submitted only when there are cases in which the rules have been contravened and that blank returns need not be forwarded.

Disposal No.	Date of Disposal.	Date of Despatch to Secretary of State for India.	Numbers and Dates of previous Proceedings.	Receipt Nos.	Despatch abstract or purport of paper.
261	1901. 21st June	..	..	801	*Copy of Government order.* — Communicating confidentially to the Board of Revenue, Land Revenue, through the Revenue department, a copy of G.O., No. 802, Political, dated 5th December 1900.
262	22nd "	..	G.O., R. No. 223, dated 5th June 1901.	792	*Communications to native chiefs.* — Forwarding to the Government of India copy of communication addressed by the Resident to the Diwans of Travancore and Cochin on the subject of Government of India, Finance and Commerce department, letter No. 2380-S.R., dated 6th May 1901.
264	24th "	..	..	807	*Plague cases in the Madras Presidency.*—Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin Local and Municipal department proceedings reporting to the Government of India the number of — for the week ending the 8th June 1901, and ordering the publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette* of statements showing the cases since August 1898.
265	24th "	..	..	805	*Reports and returns.*—Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin and to the Political Agents, Pudukkóttai, Banganapalle and Sandur, Public department proceedings recording letter from the Government of India requesting that the first provincial totals of the census of 1901 may, until the final totals are available, be utilized in submitting provincial — with effect from the year 1901.
266	24th "	..	..	806	*Plague-infected areas.* — Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin Local and Municipal department proceedings ordering the issue of a notification revising the list of — and stating that persons arriving from such places and those coming from the railway stations notified for the purposes of the passport rules should be required to take out passports.

Disposal No.	Date of Disposal.	Date of Despatch to Secretary of State for India.	Numbers and Dates of previous Proceedings.	Receipt Nos.	Despatch abstract or purport of paper.
267	1901. 25th June	..	..	..	*Travancore murder case.* — Post copy of a telegram despatched to the Secretary of State on the 21st June 1901 regarding— (*Confidential*).
268	26th „	..	Nos. 192–93 of 1901.	..	*Palkonda pensioner.* — Requesting orders of the Government of India on letter No. 193, dated 27th March 1901, regarding the grant of a house-rent allowance of Rs. 150 to Venkatapati Razu, the —.
269 270	27th „	..	..	809	*Copies of communications.* — Forwarding to the Government of India — addressed by the Resident in Travancore and Cochin to the Diwans of those States on the subject of Finance and Commerce department No. 2853 S. R., dated 26th May 1901.
271 272	27th „	..	..	810	——— Forwarding to the Government of India — addressed by the Resident in Travancore and Cochin to the Diwans of those States on the subject of Finance and Commerce department No. 2901 S. R., dated 29th May 1901.
273	27th „	..	..	822	*Regulations under the Venice Sanitary convention.* — Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin Marine department proceedings withdrawing the — imposed at all ports in the Madras Presidency against arrivals from Mauritius.
274	28th „	..	..	812	*Copies of communications.*—Recording letter from the Political Agent for Pudukkóttai forwarding copy of communication addressed to the Diwan of Pudukkóttai on the subject of letter from the Government of India, dealt with in G.O., R. No. 242, Political, dated 11th June 1901.

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G.O., No. 304, 3rd June 1901.

JUNE.

Assistant Resident in Travancore and Cochin.

Communicating to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin letter from the Government of India stating that the services of Lieutenant Leonard Gilbert, I.M.S., cannot be made available for employment as — and that there is no objection to direct application being made to the Adjutant-General in India for the services of any officers of the Indian Staff Corps whom the Government of Madras may desire to employ in a sanctioned political appointment.

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Read—again the following papers :—

G.O., Mis. No. 194, Political, dated 27th March 1901.

Read—the following paper :—

From G. T. MACKENZIE, Esq., I.C.S., Resident in Travancore and Cochin, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Cochin, 15th February 1901.

On August 21st, 1900, I wrote to you saying that Captain L. J. Andrews, I.S.C., Assistant Resident, is desirous to return to military duty when a suitable vacancy occurs. No orders have yet been passed by the Military authorities, but I have reason to believe that orders will shortly issue posting Captain Andrews to a regiment, and it is desirable that arrangements be made beforehand to fill the appointment which Captain Andrews holds here.

2. I have the honour to submit the name of Lieutenant Leonard Gilbert, Indian Medical Department, as a suitable officer for the post of Assistant Resident. My reasons for nominating this officer are given in a letter written to-day to the Private Secretary.

3. If Government is pleased to approve of the nomination of Lieutenant Leonard Gilbert, I.M.D., I have the honour to suggest that application be made to the Government of India for his services with effect from the date of Captain Andrews' reversion to military duty. Lieutenant Gilbert is willing to accept the post if offered to him.

Order—Mis. No. 194, Political, dated 27th March 1901.

The following telegram will be despatched to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin :—

"216. Your letter, 15th ultimo, regarding Assistant Resident. Telegraph whether Andrews received any orders yet."

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

G.O., Mis. Nos. 214, 215, Political, dated 8th April 1901.

Read—the following paper :—

Telegram from the Resident in Travancore and Cochin, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Peermed, 28th March 1901.

Your 216. Andrews not yet received orders. Expects them shortly.

Order—Mis. No. 214, Political, dated 8th April 1901.

The Government of India will be addressed.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

Letter—No. 215, Political, dated Fort St. George, 8th April 1901, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Foreign Department.

I am directed to request that the services of Lieutenant Leonard Gilbert, I.M.S., may be placed at the disposal of this Government for employment as Assistant Resident, Travancore and Cochin. Lieutenant Gilbert is attached to the 12th Regiment, Native Infantry, stationed at Fort Stedman, and has consented to take up the appointment. I am to explain that the present Assistant Resident, Captain L. J. Andrews, I.S.C., expects to return to military duty very shortly and the Governor in Council desires to make arrangements before hand to fill the appointment which Captain Andrews will vacate. The date from which Lieutenant Gilbert's services will be required will be communicated hereafter by telegraph.

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

Read—also the following paper:—

From Captain H. DALY, Deputy Secretary to the Government of India, Foreign Department, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Simla, 25th May 1901, No. 919 G.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter in the Political Department, No. 215, dated the 8th April 1901, requesting that the services of Lieutenant Leonard Gilbert, I.M.S., may be placed at the disposal of the Government of Fort St. George for employment as Assistant to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin.

2. Lieutenant Gilbert has not yet completed two years' actual military duty and cannot * therefore be withdrawn for civil employment. Even if he were eligible, his services could not be made available as the strain on the medical service is at present very heavy; and, as the appointment of Assistant Resident is not in the cadre of appointments for commissioned medical officers under the Madras Government, it is improbable that the Secretary of State for India would sanction the seconding of a medical officer for the post.

* Army Regulations, India, Volume VI, paragraph 23.

3. I am to take this opportunity of stating that there is no objection to direct application being made to the Adjutant-General in India for the services of any officers of the Indian Staff Corps whom the Government of Madras may desire to employ in a sanctioned political appointment.

Order—No. 304, Political, dated 3rd June 1901.

Communicated to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin.

2. Paragraph 3 of the letter from the Government of India will be recorded for future guidance.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Resident in Travancore and Cochin.

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G.O., No. 314, 5th June 1901.

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Right of selling Salt at Vadavakode.

Requesting the Resident in Travancore and Cochin to advise the Travancore Darbar to abandon claims to any rights whatever as against Cochin within the Vadavakode *désom*.

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Read—the following paper :—

From G. T. MACKENZIE, Esq., I.C.S., Resident in Travancore and Cochin, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Quilon, 22nd May 1901, Ref. on C. No. 1464.

I have the honour to submit the following matter for orders.

2. It will be remembered that a dispute between Travancore and Cochin about a small tract, called the Vadavakode désom, was settled, in September 1900, by a decision by the Madras Government that the Vadavakode désom forms part of Cochin for every purpose.

3. Since then Cochin opened a salt bankshall (warehouse) in Vadavakode, and has sent salt to it across the intervening Travancore territory. Travancore objected and seized the salt in transit. When I asked for an explanation, Travancore said that, in the pleadings in the dispute, it was admitted, on behalf of Cochin in the tenth paragraph of the printed memorandum, that Cochin had done nothing in the matter of the salt monopoly at Vadavakode. The Diwan of Travancore from this contends that Travancore salt has always been sold in Vadavakode and that the decision of the Madras Government has not deprived Travancore of her customary right of selling salt there.

4. To this the Diwan of Cochin replies that all that was meant by paragraph 10 of the printed memorandum is that Cochin had established no bankshall in Vadavakode. He says that the people of Vadavakode went to the Cochin bankshall at Tripunithurah and purchased salt there. He adds that one of the complaints against Travancore is that Travancore officials tried to compel the people of Vadavakode to buy Travancore salt. He demands that the transport of salt be permitted from Cochin territory to Vadavakode, as is done in two other outlying portions of Cochin territory and as Travancore does with certain isolated spots of Travancore territory.

5. Meanwhile matters are at a deadlock. Travancore will not permit Cochin salt to cross Travancore territory to Vadavakode and the Cochin officials in Vadavakode will not permit Travancore salt to enter Vadavakode, so that the people of Vadavakode at present have no salt.

6. My own opinion is that the contention of Cochin must prevail. Cochin may have not sent salt while the dispute was in progress, but Cochin never surrendered the right to sell salt as Cochin did surrender the right to sell tobacco. The sale of salt by Travancore is only an encroachment on the rights of Cochin. However, I have thought it best to submit the matter for the decision of Government, and I beg that early orders may be passed.

Order—No. 314, Political, dated 5th June 1901.

In the Proceedings of the Madras Government, under date the 18th September 1900, No. 623, the Governor in Council decided that the Vadavakode *désom* must be held for every purpose to form part of the Cochin State. It is to be regretted

that any claims should have been asserted by the Darbar of Travancore after receipt of this decision, and that the inhabitants of the *désom* should, in consequence of the prolongation of the dispute, have been deprived of the supply of salt.

2. The Resident should now under article 9 of the Treaty advise the Travancore Darbar to abandon claims to any rights whatever as against Cochin within the *désom* in question.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

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G.O., No. 322, 7th June 1901.

JUNE.

Death of the Elaya Raja of Travancore.

Wiring to the Resident in Travancore and Cochin that the Governor in Council has received the intelligence of the — with regret.

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POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following paper :—

Telegram from the Resident in Travancore and Cochin, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Trivandrum, 6th June 1901.

Travancore Elaya Raja died this evening acute diabetes.

Order—No. 322, Political, dated 7th June 1901.

The following telegram will be despatched to the Resident, Trivandrum :—

"441. Governor in Council has received the intelligence of the death of the Elaya Raja with regret."

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

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G.O., No. 331, 13th June 1901.

JUNE.

Periodical Reports and Returns.

Communicating to all Political officers, with remarks, Public Department proceedings recording resolution of the Government of India enunciating certain general principles which should be followed in the preparation of — and in the drawing up of reviews of such reports, and stating that separate orders on the subject of fixing a date for the submission of reports will be passed in each department of the Secretariat.

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POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following paper :—

G.O., No. 519, Public, dated 22nd May 1901.

Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India in the Home Department (Public),—under date Calcutta, 25th February 1901, No. 987/1013.

Resolution.—The Governor-General in Council has for some time had under consideration the question of the curtailment and reduction of periodical reports and returns in view of the removal of the complaint often made—as the Government of India consider with reason—that the time of officers engaged in the different branches of the Civil Administration is occupied in the preparation of such reports and returns to an extent that is detrimental to the proper performance of their other duties. The question does not now come before the Government of India for the first time, and before enumerating the directions which the Governor-General in Council has determined to issue, it is desirable to refer to the discussions of former years on the subject.

2. As long ago as 1872 the Secretary of State for India drew attention to the number and voluminous character of the printed reports forwarded for the information of Her Majesty's Government. The subject was at that time approached mainly from the point of view of the desirability of restricting the expenditure in printing public documents, and the Government of India in their Resolution of 21st November 1874 suggested, for the consideration of Local Governments and Administrations,—

(1) that the separate printing of some departmental reports should be prohibited, their subject matter being digested and edited in the annual administration report;

(2) that the reports of which the separate printing was sanctioned should, as a rule, be limited to a fixed maximum number of pages and to a fixed size of type and page not to be exceeded or changed without the sanction of the Local Government;

(3) that all Heads of Departments should be required to condense and edit instead of reproducing *in extenso* the reports of their subordinates unless any particular report possessed special value and interest that would be lost by condensation.

The Local Governments and Administrations were requested to prepare lists of reports submitted to them for ultimate transmission to the Government of India (1) which might be separately published and limited in size, or (2) which might be in future abandoned as separate reports and included in the general administration report, and to consider how far the conclusions of the Government of India might be extended to reports submitted to the Local Governments and Administrations but not sent on to the Government of India. These instructions were approved by the

Secretary of State with the caution that the Government of India should be careful not to offer any impediment to the collection of really valuable statistical information.

3. As a result of the reference to the Local Governments, the Government of India determined (1) that the more important reports must be separately printed with the review of the Local Government upon them, and left it to the Local Governments to decide whether a few of the less important reports should be printed or not; (2) not to press the suggestion to fix a maximum number of pages for each report, but they directed Local Governments to instruct subordinate officers to reduce the departmental reports to a more convenient size; (3) that all annual reports should be printed in foolscap folio, the type of the report proper being solid pica, and that of the extracted matter and the appendices small pica; (4) that Heads of Departments should be forbidden to reproduce *in extenso* the reports of subordinates.

4. These instructions had such little effect that, in 1885, the late Sir Charles Aitchison, then Lieutenant-Governor of the Punjab, approached the Government of India with proposals for reform in the preparation and treatment of annual reports based upon the conclusion that the system of reporting had grown to be a great incubus upon the administration, and that it was incumbent on the Government to lighten the load as much as possible. He stated that the annual reports in the Punjab had in many cases become far more elaborate and detailed than was the case ten years before. The measures of reform suggested were the discontinuance of any separate reports which could be shown to be unnecessary; the substitution of triennial for annual reports in the case of all reports of value rather from a statistical or financial than from an administrative point of view, returns accompanied by the briefest possible notes being prepared in the other two years; and, in the case of the more important reports, the introduction of a system under which a full report would be submitted every third year and brief reports in intermediate years.

5. The Government of India, while sympathizing with the desire of the Punjab Government to reduce within more reasonable dimensions the work of writing and reviewing reports, had doubts whether the proposals made might not, if carried out in their entirety, have the effect of depriving departmental officers of a ready means of ascertaining the latest particulars in regard to current departmental administration, and of benefiting by the experience of each year as embodied in the annual report. They were also apprehensive that the discontinuance of the annual reviews of departmental reports by Local Governments and Administrations might remove a very useful check, and possibly lead to a perpetuation or continuance of errors of policy or administration which it was desirable to remove without loss of time but which, under the proposed arrangement, might not come to the notice of the Local Government until the lapse of a considerable period after their introduction. It appeared to be also possible that under the system proposed the intermediate reports might become so brief as to be of little practical value, and the triennial report unduly prolix. The absence on leave of permanent officers would also interfere with the preparation of the full triennial report, and a Lieutenant-Governor in a five years' tenure of office would be able to review the work of any department at most twice, and possibly only once. They, therefore, considered that annual reports on the more important branches of the administration must continue, but that in the case of some of the less important departments a brief report for two years with a full and careful report in the third year would ordinarily suffice, and that in some departments it would not be necessary to require more than a full report every third year with brief notes in the intermediate years.

6. After consultation with the Local Governments the conclusion of the Government of India was embodied in Home Department Resolution No. $\frac{28}{1579-95}$, dated 15th July 1887, and published in the *Supplement to the Gazette of India* of the 23rd idem. It was briefly that annual reports must be maintained, firstly, where the reports deal with the application of administrative principles still open to modification, or the concrete working of which has to be watched, and, secondly, where the reports contain statistics which for administrative purposes must be compiled and examined annually. Applying these principles it was decided to maintain

as annual reports the following reports submitted to the Home Department of the Government of India, viz., those on General Administration, Municipal Administration, Local Boards' Administration, Education, Civil and Criminal Justice, Jail Administration, Police Administration, and Lunatic Asylums. It was determined that the reports on Registration, Dispensaries, Vaccination and the Destruction of Wild Beasts and Snakes should be submitted triennially, statistical returns and brief commentaries in the shape of notes being submitted in the intermediate years. At the instance of the Secretary of State this decision was subsequently modified in regard to the report on the destruction of wild beasts and snakes which he wished to be submitted annually as before.

The Government of India also expressed their opinion that the compression of reviews was not less called for than the curtailment of reports and directed that a review should contain only what is necessary to communicate the judgment of the reviewing authority regarding the salient features of the report.

7. This second attempt to reduce the volume of reports had as little effect as the first, and an examination of recent reports shows that the standing orders of the Government of India have been to a large extent ignored in practice. In spite of their appeal to Local Governments and Administrations to insist on curtailment of reports to the utmost extent which is consistent with a proper examination of the facts and figures presented in them, many of the annual reports are more diffuse and imperfectly edited than ever. In spite of the opinion expressed by the Government of India that the compression of reviews was urgently called for, the reviews of Local Governments and Administrations in many instances continue to contain a large amount of matter which is merely an abridged repetition of what is set forth in the report itself. In cases in which triennial reports have been prescribed the tendency has been for the commentaries of intermediate years to gradually increase in volume. For instance, the last triennial report on the administration of stamps, submitted by one Local Government, filled 24 pages of narrative and 31 of statistics, and the last intermediate commentary 9 pages of narrative and 24 of statistics. With the triennial report were submitted statistical returns for three years, and with the intermediate commentary for two years. Thus all the statistics were given three times over. The instructions issued in 1878 that the reports of subordinate officers should not be printed *in extenso* have been frequently ignored. An instance of the extent to which this direction is neglected is found in a report regarding the administration of Local Boards recently received. The orders contained in the Home Department Circular No. $\frac{41}{3121-30}$, dated the 8th December 1888, prescribed a brief report by the Local Government with statistical tables, yet in this report were printed no less than 73 pages of reports from Commissioners and Deputy Commissioners, the report of the Local Administration itself being in the form of a resolution covering only about two pages. The orders which require reports to be printed in type of a particular kind are not infrequently disregarded. In cases in which definite dates have been fixed as the latest on which annual reports are due to be submitted to the Government of India serious attempts do not appear to have been made to comply with the order. In Home Department No. $\frac{11}{790-801}$, dated 24th April 1891, the latest date for the submission to the Home Department of the Government of India of each of the annual reports submitted to it was fixed. In the last year for which each report was due 62 were submitted in time, 77 were less than a month late, 33 more than a month and less than two months late, and 30 more than two months late, the period of default reaching in several instances to over four months.

8. The Government of India believe that previous orders directed towards the reduction of the size of reports have mainly failed in their object because they enunciated general principles instead of also pointing out definite flaws in practice. To some extent also their failure was due to the disregard by Local Governments and Administrations as well as by subordinate officials of the definite orders laid down by the Government of India. The Governor-General in Council has now carefully reconsidered the question of reducing the number and bulk of annual reports and periodical returns, and has determined to lay down more precise directions for future

observance. His Excellency in Council is confident that he may rely on the earnest support of Local Governments and Administrations in amending and restricting the further growth of a procedure which impairs the administrative efficiency of officials whose time is consumed in writing reports so overlaid with detail that they convey no clear impression of facts to the controlling authority or the public.

9. Owing to the peculiar conditions of service and the frequent change of *personnel* in India more and longer reports are required in this country than in Great Britain or the Colonies. Their use in India is to place before the Local and Supreme Governments a complete record of the year's operations, and to furnish the officers of Government with a permanent and easily accessible record of the past experience of others than themselves in the department in which they are serving. They are also required to furnish the Secretary of State for India with full information regarding the progress of administrative affairs in India, to provide materials for the compilation of the report on moral and material progress, the statistical abstract, and other returns which must be presented to Parliament, and to facilitate the preparation of answers to questions in Parliament without reference to India. Lastly, they are useful in providing for the public, both in India and Great Britain, accurate information and statistics regarding the progress of the administration in all its branches.

10. In order to be really valuable for these purposes a report should consist of accurate facts and figures with concise and intelligent criticism of them, both facts and comments being contained within reasonable compass. In proportion as its space is occupied by discussions, even though they may be useful or interesting in themselves, or by the record of the writer's views on points cognate with the subject matter of the report, its utility will be diminished. A narrative is required, as well as tabulated statistics, in order to adequately exhibit the facts of the year's administration, but there is a tendency on the one hand to introduce into the narrative much that might be compressed into brief statistical tables, and on the other hand to embody tabular statistical tables in the letter press of a report because the writer is inclined to exhibit the facts in a form prepared mechanically by ministerial subordinates rather than adopt the more laborious and more useful process of digesting them into a concise and lucid narrative. The multiplicity of tables by no means ensures brevity of narrative, and the object in view is so to distribute the information between narrative and statistics as to present the record of the year's work in the most interesting and comprehensible form.

In order to attain this object the following principles should be strictly followed:—

(i) the report should contain only the explanation of really important or suggestive variations in the statistics, and the statement of really noteworthy facts in the history of the year's administration;

(ii) no mere paraphrasing and reproduction of the statistics should be allowed in the report;

(iii) all attempts to offer explanations of variations in the figures, which are not important or unusual, should be excluded unless the fact alleged in explanation is in itself important enough to demand mention;

(iv) the idea that it is necessary to say something should be discarded, and it should be recognized that the briefer a report is the better, if it says all that need be said to show an intelligent comprehension of the meaning of the facts and figures and of the salient features of the year's work.

These principles apply equally to the reviews of Local Governments and Administrations. A review should be strictly limited to comment or criticism on the general results, so far as comment or criticism is required, or to directions arising out of some statement of fact or opinion which seems to require notice by the Local Government or Administration. If a précis or summary of the report is made for the convenience of the head of the Local Government or Administration, it is not necessary that it should be published.

11. In order that these principles may be carried properly into practice it is essential to prescribe a maximum limit for each report. The proposal that this should

be done was, the Governor-General in Council considers, put aside on insufficient grounds in 1878, and experience shows that no lasting reform in the curtailment of reports is likely to be secured if this check is abandoned. The circumstances of the different provinces are in many respects dissimilar, and it will not be possible to fix the same limit for the same report from each province. What is required is that a maximum limit suitable for a year of ordinary conditions should be fixed for each report submitted in each province. This limit need not be worked up to in every year, but it should never be exceeded unless the writer has for exceptional reasons sought and obtained, before undertaking his report, from the Government of India or the Local Government, whichever is the authority to which the report goes in the first instance, permission to exceed it in a particular year. At present the writer of a report usually places before himself, as a standard from which he must not fall short, the length of his predecessor's report. It is unreasonable, however, that the State should, unlike any other employer of literary labour, give its writers unlimited discretion as to space.

12. The principles stated in paragraph 10 should be followed, so far as they apply, in the preparation of reviews of reports by the Local Governments. It is the practice in connection with some reports to have intermediate reviews between the actual report and the review of it by the Local Government. Thus some Boards of Revenue or other authorities review in this manner excise, opium, salt, income-tax, and stamp reports, and in Madras the reports on the destruction of wild beasts and snakes, and the Commissioners of Divisions review other reports. The Governor-General in Council desires that all such intermediate reviews formally recapitulating or summarising the matter contained in the district reports shall be suppressed. This, however, will not apply to comments of either the Board of Revenue or the Commissioner of the Division on a report made in compliance with the general or special request of the Local Government. Such comments may be made briefly on the margin of the original report, or be embodied in a concise note so that they can be utilized, if necessary, by the Government in preparing its review, or for the purpose of issuing any orders that may be considered necessary.

13. In some of the annual reports the amount of statistical matter in the report (apart from its appendices) covers as much space as the letter press itself. The introduction into the text of large numbers of tables of superfluous and unassimilated statistics (usually a reproduction in an abridged form of the statistics in the appendices) detracts from the value and interest of a report while it greatly increases the cost of printing it. In the opinion of the Government of India the body of the report should be almost entirely in narrative form. It will occasionally be necessary to introduce tables of comparative statistics into the narrative, but such tables should be brief and simple and their number rigidly restricted.

14. The Government of India have prescribed statistical tables to accompany a large number of the reports submitted to them, but in the case of some reports, *e.g.*, those relating to the land revenue and excise, divergent local conditions make the use of general tables for all provinces impossible. In the case of all reports for which tables have been prescribed by the Government of India, no additional tables should be appended to and referred to in the report without the previous sanction of the Government of India.

It should be particularly noted that no addition to or modification in any of the tables prescribed by the Government of India should be made without the previous sanction of that authority. The effect of such modifications is to make interprovincial or other comparisons difficult or impossible, and to prevent the construction of general tables for all India.

15. There are a few minor matters in connection with the preparation of reports to which the Governor-General in Council desires to draw attention:

(i) when maps are given it is convenient to place them at the beginning or end of the volume:

(ii) it is desirable to restrict the number of maps and diagrams: these may be occasionally useful as graphic illustrations of interesting or important

variations, and in reports of a special character, such as that relating to railways, diagrams may be necessary, but for ordinary reports, tables answer all purposes:

(iii) tables of statistics should not be printed sideways on a page unless distinct economy of space thereby results. The foolscap size lends itself easily to the printing of tables with their heading across instead of along the length of the page:

(iv) pages of tabular matter are frequently printed with the columns left entirely or almost entirely blank. This is in almost all cases unnecessary. It can often be remedied by dispensing with columns seldom used, and sometimes by discontinuing or recasting the return:

(v) the number of pages fixed as the maximum limit of the report should be given on the page containing the table of contents:

(vi) the practice of giving in full detail and in separate columns in tables of statistics the corresponding figures for the preceding year is objectionable. In most cases it will be found sufficient to give corresponding figures for the totals only, by means of one additional line at the foot of the table:

(vii) cross references between the statistical tables and the paragraphs discussing them should be given by means of marginal entries on the paragraphs and, if possible, also on the tables themselves:

(viii) the directions of the Government of India that reports should be printed in solid pica and the extracted matter and appendices in small pica should be strictly followed:

(ix) a date should be fixed for the submission of every report in respect of which this has not already been done, and Local Governments and Administrations should insist on all reports being submitted by the fixed date, and whenever there is inexcusable or careless and persistent unpunctuality, bring the offending officer sharply to book.

16. The Government of India have recently received from the Secretary of State suggestions for the curtailment of the statistical appendices attached to the general administration report. The Government of India are considering the question of dispensing with many of the tables attached to that report, and of effecting a large reduction in the space devoted to the letter press. A separate communication will shortly be made to Local Governments and Administrations on this matter.

17. In the opinion of the Government of India the relief of officers engaged directly in the work of administration from unprofitable office work can be attained not only by curtailing the size of the annual reports which they have to submit, but also by reducing the number of subsidiary reports and returns, monthly, quarterly and half-yearly, which Collectors of Districts and other local officers are now required to submit to superior authority. An inquiry made in the Madras Presidency a few years ago was followed by the abolition of many such reports and returns, and in the extension to officers of all grades engaged in the district administration of wider powers in a variety of directions with the result that much correspondence asking for sanction or reporting action in regard to these matters has now been dispensed with. The Government of India desire that an inquiry of this nature should be undertaken under the orders of other Local Governments and Administrations by a selected officer of experience both in Secretariat and district work. The Government of India will, in separate communications which are in course of preparation and will shortly be addressed to the Local Governments and Administrations, indicate generally the extent to which the reports submitted by Local Governments to the Supreme Government might be curtailed, and will issue detailed instructions and suggestions for adoption by Local Governments and Administrations in respect of the reports on matters in which the Government of India have a special financial or other interest. In the case of the majority of the reports the suggestions of the Government of India will have to be carried into execution under the orders of the Local Government or Administration; and in order to facilitate this, definite proposals for the curtailment of individual reports should be worked out in detail for the consideration of the Local

Government and Administration by the officer on special duty in communication with the officer responsible for the preparation of the report. The orders issued by the Local Governments and Administrations in respect of the reports submitted to each department of the Government of India should be separately reported to that department. In order to facilitate the inquiries of the special officer it would be convenient that he should call for a statement in the form appended to this resolution of all reports and returns whether submitted to the Government of India or to any other authority, and that the statement should mention the date on which each report or return has to be submitted by the local official, and, in the case of reports and returns furnished to the Government of India, the date on which it is forwarded by the Local Government. The statement should also note how many of the returns are required for the purposes of the Local Government or Administration or of any authority subordinate to it, and how many are furnished in obedience to the instructions of the Government of India. The Government of India would be obliged if an amalgamated statement for each province of all such reports and returns appertaining to it is furnished to each department of the Government of India. When orders have been passed by the Local Governments fixing the reports and returns which will have in future to be furnished by local officials, steps must be taken to ensure that they are not again added to without proper scrutiny, and that all the reports and returns which continue to be furnished are carefully examined in order to test whether the directions as to their preparation have been fully complied with. On the receipt of a report by the Government of India a similar examination will be made, in order that any tendency to ignore the principles now laid down may be promptly and effectively checked.

18. The Governor-General in Council desires to make it clear that there is no intention of allowing these reforms to be as unproductive of result as some of their predecessors have been. The Supreme Government and the Local Governments are equally confronted with an abuse which has attained to grave, and in some cases extravagant, dimensions, and which is injurious to the efficiency of both. Its remedy is, therefore, a common interest. A good practice is as capable of enduring as a bad practice, if it be given a fair start; and the Government of India feel confident that by a simultaneous and unremitting vigilance in the departments both of the Supreme and the Local Administrations, and by fidelity to the principles that have been and are about to be laid down, a serious obstacle to good government in India will be sensibly abridged, if not altogether removed.

Order.—Ordered that a copy of this Resolution be forwarded to all Local Governments and Administrations for information and guidance; and that a copy be forwarded to the departments of the Government of India for information and further necessary action, and to the officers subordinate to this department for information and guidance.

(To High Court, Calcutta, by letter.)

Ordered, also, that the Resolution be published in the *Supplement to the Gazette of India.*

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. P. HEWETT,
Secretary to the Government of India.

To the Government of Madras.

Enclosure.

Statement of Reports and Returns prepared by, or under the orders of, the Government of , or any other authority, with information as to their size and method of disposal.

Subject.	Period covered by report or return.	By whom prepared.	Under what authority.	Date of submission by local officer to the Local Government or any authority subordinate to the Local Government.	Date of submission by Local Government to the Government of India (or to the India Office).	Average size of			Method of disposal.		
						Report or return.	Statistics.	Review.	By local officer or authority.	By Local Government.	Remarks.
						Pages.	Pages.	Pages.			

Order—No. 519, Public, dated 22nd May 1901.

Recorded.

2. The general principles enunciated by the Government of India will be observed.

3. Separate orders on the subject of clause (ix), paragraph 15 of the Resolution, will be passed in each department of the Secretariat.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To all Departments of the Secretariat.
" Heads of Departments under the Public Department.

Order—No. 331, Political, dated 13th June 1901.

Communicated to all Political officers.

2. Attention will be drawn to the dates on which periodical returns are due in this department under G.O., No. 71, Political, dated 29th January 1900, and the officers concerned will be requested to observe strict punctuality.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Resident in Travancore and Cochin.
,, the Political Agent, Pudukkóttai.
,, the ,, Banganapalle.
,, the ,, Sandúr.
,, the Government Agent, Tanjore.
,, the Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends.
,, the Accountant-General.
,, the Inspector-General of Police.
,, the Commissioner of Police.
,, the Surgeon-General.
,, the Controller of Military Accounts.
,, all Collectors.

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G.O., No. 339, 17th June 1901.

JUNE.

Correspondence.

Communicating to all departments of the Secretariat, for information, letter from the Government of India, Foreign Department, requesting that the name and official designation (if any), both of the writer and of the addressee, may be set out at the head of every letter or other communication, in all — which is transmitted, whether in manuscript or in print, to the Government of India in the Foreign Department.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following paper:—

From J. B. WOOD, Esq., Under Secretary to the Government of India, Foreign Department, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George, dated Simla, 6th June 1901, No. 987-G.

I am directed to request that the name and official designation (if any), both of the writer and of the addressee, may be set out at the head of every letter or other communication, in all correspondence which is transmitted, whether in manuscript or in print, to the Government of India in the Foreign Department.

Order—No. 339, Political, dated 17th June 1901.

Communicated to all departments of the Secretariat for information.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the departments of the Secretariat.
,, all departments under the Chief Secretary.

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G.O., No. 341, 18th June 1901.

JUNE.

Death of the Senior Rani of Travancore.

Informing the Resident in Travancore, by telegram, that the Governor in Council has received with regret the intimation of the death of Her Highness Lakshmi Bai Rani Avargal, C.I., the Senior Rani of Travancore.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following paper :—

Telegram from the Resident in Travancore and Cochin, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Trivandrum, 16th June 1901.

Travancore Senior Rani died last night Bright's disease.

Order—No. 341, Political, dated 18th June 1901.

The following telegram will be despatched to the Resident, Trivandrum :—

464. The Governor in Council has received with regret the intimation of the death of Her Highness Lakshmi Bai Rani Avargal, c.i., the Senior Rani of Travancore.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

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G.O., No. 352, 20th June 1901.

JUNE.

Archæology in Native States.

Communicating, with remarks, to all Political officers letter from the Government of India regarding the proposal to invest Surveyors of the Archæological department with authority to advise and assist the Darbars of the various Native States in India in matters of archæological interest.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—again the following paper :—

G.O., Mis. Nos. 473, 474, Political, dated 2nd August 1900.

Read—the following papers :—

From J. B. WOOD, Esq., Under Secretary to the Government of India in the Foreign Department, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Simla, 29th June 1900, No. 2796 I.-A.

As the Governor in Council is aware, the conservation of ancient monuments in India is a matter which has engaged, and continues to engage, the earnest attention of the Government of India. Lists have been prepared of the more important monuments of historical and archæological interest in British India and in some of the Native States, and measures have been taken with a view to establishing a system whereby these objects may be preserved in a fitting manner.

2. In the scheme for the reorganisation of the Archæological Survey department, which has recently received the approval of Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India, five circles have been established for the whole of India (excluding Burma) with an Archæological Surveyor for each. The circles are constituted as follows :—

(1) Bombay (including Sind) and Berar.
(2) Madras and Coorg.
(3) Punjab, Baluchistan and Ajmer.
(4) The North-Western Provinces and the Central Provinces.
(5) Bengal and Assam.

The Governor-General in Council is aware that in many cases the Chiefs of States which possess objects of historical and archæological interest are themselves willing and anxious to preserve them, and to prevent their falling into decay or being damaged by casual visitors. Instances have, however, been brought to notice in which sufficient care does not appear to have been taken to carry this laudable desire into effect, and it has occurred to the Government of India that some lamentable incidents might have been prevented, had the Darbars been able to obtain the advice and assistance of an expert in archæological matters. I am, therefore, to suggest, for the consideration of the Governor in Council, that the Archæological Surveyors appointed to the five circles above mentioned might be authorised to advise and assist the Darbars of the Native States with which their respective circles are most closely connected by geographical position. The following distribution might perhaps be suitable :—

Punjab, Baluchistan and Ajmer Circle ..	Kashmir, Rajputana and the Native States in the Punjab and Baluchistan.
North-Western Provinces and Central Provinces Circle.	Central India.
Bombay and Berar Circle	Baroda, Hyderabad, and the Native States within the political jurisdiction of the Government of Bombay.
Madras Circle	Mysore and the Native States within the political jurisdiction of the Government of Madras.
Bengal and Assam Circle	The Native States in Bengal and Manipur.

The Surveyors would, of course, have no administrative position or control in Native State territory, but might be consulted at any time by a State through the Political officer. They would also be authorised, with the consent of the Darbars concerned, to make tours in the Native States allotted to their respective circles, for the purpose of preparing or revising the classified lists. No contribution would be required from the Native States towards the cost of the appointment of these Surveyors or towards any extra expenditure which may be incidental to the enlargement of their respective charges.

The Archæological Surveyor for the Punjab Circle, whose appointment, it is hoped, may not be much longer deferred, may be instructed also to place himself in communication with Political officers in tribal territory, such for instance as the Political Agent for Dir, Swat and Chitral at Malakand, with reference to archæological remains in such territory outside the British Indian border.

3. I am to request that the Government of India may be favoured at an early date with the views of the Governor in Council on the proposal above indicated so far as it relates to the Native States in the Madras Presidency.

Endt. No. 1770, Public.

Referred to the Superintendent, Archæological Survey, for favour of early remarks.

(Signed) A. R. KNAPP,
Under Secretary.

11*th July* 1900.

From A. REA, Esq., F.S.A. SCOT., M.R.A.S., Superintendent, Archæological Survey, Madras and Coorg, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Bangalore, 19th July 1900, No. 279.

With reference to memorandum No. 923, Public, dated 11th July 1900, I have the honour to state that the proposal is a good one, well calculated to preserve many ancient remains which otherwise might go to ruin.

2. Two of the States adjoining Madras already have archæological advisers—Mysore and Travancore.

Order—Mis. No. 473, Political, dated 2nd August 1900.

The Government of India will be addressed.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

Letter—Mis. No. 474, Political, dated Ootacamund, 2nd August 1900, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Foreign Department.

In reply to Mr. Wood's letter No. 2796 I/A, dated the 29th June 1900, I am directed to state that so far as this Government is concerned there is no objection to the proposal that the Archæological Surveyor appointed to the Madras Circle should be authorized to advise and assist the Darbars of Native States within the political jurisdiction of the Governor in Council in arranging for the preservation of objects of historical and archæological interest in those States.

2. I am, however, to point out in this connection that only recently the Mysore Darbar complained with considerable warmth, through the Resident, of operations

which had been carried on by the Government Epigraphist, Madras, within the Mysore State. The Government of India will, however, it is understood, be placed in possession of the views of that Darbar on the subject of the present reference.

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

READ—also the following paper :—

From J. B. WOOD, Esq., Under Secretary to the Government of India in the Foreign Department, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Simla, 4th June 1901, No. 2187 I.-A.

I am directed to reply to your letter No. 474, dated the 2nd August 19 0, regarding the proposal to invest the Surveyors of the Archæological department with authority to advise and assist the Darbars of the various Native States in India in matters of archæological interest.

2. The scheme which was explained in my letter No. 2796-I.A., dated the 29th June 1900, has been generally approved by local Governments and Administrations and by the Darbars of the Native States, and may now be adopted with the slight alterations indicated below.

3. In deference to the wishes of His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor and Chief Commissioner of the North-Western Provinces and Oudh, it has been decided, with the concurrence of the Government of Bombay, that the responsibility for advising and assisting the Native States in Central India shall rest, not with the Surveyor of the North-Western and Central Provinces Circle, who is already fully occupied, but with the Surveyor of the Bombay and Berar Circle. The Governor-General in Council has learnt with pleasure that in Mysore the conservation of monuments and other questions of archæological interest have received the special attention of the Darbar, and that the State does not, therefore, require the services of the Archæological Surveyor, Madras Circle. The area to be added to the charges of the Archæological Surveyors of the different circles will, therefore, be as shown in the following table :—

Punjab, Baluchistan and Ajmer Circle ..	Kashmir, Rajputana and the Native States in the Punjab and Baluchistan.*
Bombay and Berar Circle	Baroda, Central India, Hyderabad and the Native States within the political jurisdiction of the Government of Bombay.
Madras Circle	The Native States within the political jurisdiction of the Government of Madras.
Bengal and Assam Circle	The Native States in Bengal and the Manipur State.

4. The Archæological Surveyors should be instructed carefully to avoid any action which might cause misrepresentation of the aims of the Government of India or give offence to the Darbars whom it is desired to assist. It is essential, in the case of the more important States, that the Surveyor, before entering the State, or deputing any subordinate thereto, should give ample notice of his intention to the political authority concerned, who would make the necessary arrangements with the Darbar. No instructions or orders should be given by the Surveyors to the officials of any Native State: and all suggestions or criticisms should be conveyed to the Darbar through the medium of the political authorities.

5. It is not intended that the arrangements now sanctioned should be regarded as permanent, but only as a temporary measure dictated mainly by economical considerations. It may be possible hereafter to induce the more important of the Native States to entertain an Archæologist of their own, as in the case of Mysore. In the meantime, the Governor-General in Council trusts that every endeavour will be made to enlist the sympathies of the Native States in the task of preserving the monuments of archæological and historical interest within their territories.

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* *Note.*—The Surveyor may also correspond with Political officers in tribal territory, such as the Political Agent for Dir, Swat and Chitral at Malakand, with reference to archæological remains in such territory outside British India.

ORDER—No. 352, Political, dated 20th June 1901.

Communicated to all Political officers.

2. Orders on paragraph 4 of the letter will issue in the Public Department.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Resident in Travancore and Cochin.
„ Political Agent, Pudukkóttai.
„ „ Banganapalle.
„ „ Sandúr.
„ Public Department.

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G.O., &c., Nos. 355, 356, 21st June 1901.

JUNE.

Death of the Senior Rani of Travancore.

Recording, with reference to G.O., No. 341, dated 18th June 1901, letter from the Resident in Travancore and Cochin reporting the death of Her Highness Lakshmi Bai, C.I., senior Rani of Travancore, on 15th June from Bright's disease. Copy to the Government of India.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—again the following paper:—

G.O., No. 341, Political, dated 18th June 1901.

ABSTRACT.—Informing the Resident in Travancore, by telegram, that the Governor in Council has received with regret the intimation of the death of Her Highness Lakshmi Bai Rani Avargal, C.I., the senior Rani of Travancore.

READ—also the following paper:—

From G. T. MACKENZIE, Esq., I.C.S., Resident in Travancore and Cochin, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Trivandrum, 17th June 1901, Ref. on C. No. 1729.

I have the honour to report that Her Highness Lakshmi Bai, C.I., senior Rani of Travancore, died at 7–30 P.M. on June 15th from Bright's disease.

2. Her Highness was for some time past in feeble health and this fatal termination to the illness was expected.

3. I may mention that some months ago I asked the Maharaja what arrangement would be best for the custody of the two children in the event of the death of the senior Rani, and His Highness said that his intention was to appoint the Valia Koil Tamburan (the consort of Her Highness) as the guardian of the two princesses. This certainly will be the simplest and best plan.

4. The Rani was a Member of the Order of the Crown of India, and therefore a report to the Government of India of the death of Her Highness seems to be necessary.

ORDER—No. 355, Political, dated 21st June 1901.

Recorded, with reference to G.O., No. 341, dated 18th June 1901.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Resident in Travancore and Cochin.

ENDORSEMENT—No. 356, Political, dated 21st June 1901.

Copy to the Government of India, Foreign Department.

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

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G.O., &c., Nos. 371, 372, 25th June 1901.

JUNE.

’Atá-ulláh Khán.

Directing that the Honourable the Agent to the Governor-General in Baluchistan be addressed regarding the request of — to be given a sum of Rs. 30,000 in settlement of his claim against the Pudukkóttai State and to be allowed to reside at Benares.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following paper :—

From the Honourable Colonel C. E. YATE, C.S.I., C.M.G., Agent to the Governor-General in Baluchistan, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Quetta, 18th May 1901, No. 5473.

I have the honour to invite your attention to the correspondence ending with this office letter No. 7504, dated the 7th September 1900, in connection with the deportation of 'Aṭá-ulláh Khán, a State prisoner from the Pudukkóttai State, and to forward the enclosed copy of his petition for the consideration and orders of His Excellency the Governor.

2. The petitioner prays that he may be allowed to rejoin his family and live at Benares and that he may be given a sum of Rs. 30,000 in full and final settlement of his claim against the Pudukkóttai State.

3. Since his sojourn in Quetta 'Aṭá-ulláh Khán has given no trouble to the district authorities. I consider that his detention at Quetta has had a good effect in that he is now anxious to arrive at a settlement. He seems to have learnt his lesson and is not likely to give trouble in the future.

In view of this and of the fact that his enforced separation from his family is an undoubted hardship and that the climate of Quetta is not suitable for an old man who has passed all his life in the plains of India, I submit the petition for the favourable consideration of His Excellency the Governor.

ENCLOSURE.

PETITION from 'AṬÁ-ULLÁH KHÁN, Khandahari Merchant, to the Honourable the Agent to the Governor-General in Baluchistan, dated the 4th March 1901.

It is known to you that I have been deported hither from the Madras Presidency, because of my continued putting forward of my claims for payment of a very large debt which has been due me from the Raja of Pudukkóttai, a protected Chief of that Presidency, for a period of beyond thirty (30) years. In that I am of Pathan lineage and allowed myself to speak in somewhat forcible terms because of being truly beggared owing to my money being withheld, I have suffered imprisonment and police surveillance for the best part of my life, while the God of both Christians and Musalmen alone knows that I never meant any harm of the sort suspected against me, but have only cursed my luck and expressed myself bitterly against what has seemed my awful ill-fate.

2 When the Pudukkóttai Raja, who owed me the money, died, it is true enough that he was much in debt, and there existed reasonable grounds for my not being paid the full amount of my claim, but I was offered so utterly disproportionate a sum—for which an acquittance in full was demanded—that I refused it, and from that time my troubles began, I being, quite mistakenly however, accused of harbouring blood-thirsty sentiments.

3. But, Honourable Sir, if the Pudukkóttai Raja of that time left a depleted treasury, his son and successor, the present Chief, under the fostering care of the Madras Government, has all along been possessed of great wealth ; that is, from the time his late father's Raj was, at the expiry of the minority, made over to him. So that no good reason now exists why I should not be more liberally dealt with.

4. Now, Honourable Sir, though of Afghan descent, my forbears having settled down and intermarried in Hindustan at Benares, I and my family look upon ourselves as naturalised Hindustanis and are, as such, loyal subjects of the British Government. The climate of these parts is unbearable to me, and, in fact, my family members refuse to join me here. I am, therefore, very desirous of being allowed to go back to Benares, where also the bulk of those I am in debt to, because of being kept out of my money, reside. As regards my dealings with Kandahar, have not my creditors there—and the Amir's authorities—taken possession of my ancestral property and divided it off? As a further balance is, however, still made out against me there, and as it is impossible for me to meet, I will not—as I cannot—think of going there. If I did go to Kandahar I should, in all probability, only lose my life.

5. In consideration of all I have suffered and will continue to suffer, if matters are not bettered—as I see no likelihood of—I make a last final appeal, through you, Honourable Sir, to the Madras Government. I first ask to be forgiven all the trouble I have hitherto given or caused, once again solemnly asserting that I never had anything in my mind but to recover my money—a life's earnings—by every legitimate means. And next, I express my willingness to accept a net sum of Rs. 30,000 (thirty thousand) in full settlement of my claim, which, with the interest that would have otherwise accrued, amounts to more than a lakh (1,00,000) of rupees. And I pray as well that, after payment, I may be allowed to return to and live with my family at Benares.

In conclusion, I pray, Honourable Sir, for your honour's long life and prosperity and for the everlasting continuance of the British Government in India and the wide world around.

Order—No. 371, Political, dated 25th June 1901.

The following letter will be despatched :—

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

Letter—No. 372, Political, dated Ootacamund, 25th June 1901, to the Honourable the Agent to the Governor-General in Baluchistan, Quetta.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 5473, dated 18th May 1901, regarding the request of 'Aṭá-ulláh K͟hán to be given a sum of Rs. 30,000 in settlement of his claim against the Pudukkóttai State and to be allowed to reside at Benares. In reply I am to state that the Governor in Council does not consider that there is any possibility of a settlement with the Pudukkóttai Darbar in the manner desired by 'Aṭá-ulláh K͟hán and that as he has so many creditors at Benares it would, in the opinion of His Excellency the Governor in Council, be better that he should not remove there.

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

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G.O., No. 373, 25th June 1901.

JUNE.

Petition.

Declining to entertain the request of Muhammad Bég that the allowances enjoyed by him should be transferred to the name of his son, Mirzá Ahmad 'Alí Sultán.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—again the following papers :—

G.O., No. 374, Political, dated 18th June 1892.

Abstract.—Passing orders regarding three ceremonial allowances now paid at Vellore, and resolving that the principles on which the decision in these cases is based should apply to other Musulman endowments or ceremonial grants made by the State.

G.O., No. 354, Political, dated 4th June 1896.

Abstract.—Passing orders on replies to G.O., No. 374, Political, dated 18th June 1892, regarding Musulman ceremonial allowances.

G.O., No. 262, Political, dated 19th April 1898.

Abstract.—Directing that the ceremonial allowances resumed in G.O., No. 374, Political, dated 18th June 1892, be restored, on certain conditions, to the recipients with effect from the 1st January 1893, and declining to comply with the request of Mysore stipendiaries, 'Alí Naqí Ṭáhir and 'Ali Musa Raẓá Jaddi, that they may be permitted to refund the bonus already received by them.

Read—also the following papers :—

From R. H. CAMPBELL, Esq., I.C.S., Acting Collector and District Magistrate, North Arcot, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Chittoor, 20th February 1901, Dis. No. 407 Acc.-D.

I have the honour to submit, for the consideration and orders of Government, a petition from Muḥammad Bég, grand-nephew of the late Fáṭimá Khánam Bégam, wife of Ḥaidar 'Alí, praying that the allowance enjoyed by him may be transferred to the name of his son. The facts of the case are given below.

2. The petitioner, Muḥammad Bég, has been in the enjoyment of the following two allowances :—

(1) A tomb allowance of Rs. 50 *per mensem* for the maintenance of the tomb of Fáṭimá Bégam, second wife of Ḥaidar 'Alí, and

(2) an allowance of Rs. 4–4–0 *per mensem* on account of "ásár-i-sharíf."

The petitioner says that he has become too old to perform the services himself, and requests that the allowances may be transferred to the name of his son, Mirzá Aḥmad 'Alí Sulṭán, a boy sixteen years old, and that one Dáúd Bég, whom the petitioner has now appointed to manage the affairs of the tomb and "ásár-i-sharíf," may be appointed to manage the affairs till the minor attains his majority.

3. The tomb allowance of Rs. 50 *per mensem* was sanctioned in the name of Muḥammad Bég in G.O., No. 481, dated 7th August 1876, for the maintenance of the tomb and ceremonies of Fáṭimá Bégam, the widow of Ḥaidar 'Alí. A similar allowance of Rs. 50 *per mensem* was granted in the same Government order to Muḥammad 'Abd-ulláh Ḥusain for the maintenance of the tomb and ceremonies of

Pádsháh Bégam, the widow of Ṭípú Sulṭán. On the death of 'Abd-ulláh Ḥusain, his allowance was transferred to his heirs, who are now enjoying it. On the same analogy there appears to be no objection to the transfer of the allowances in question to the son of Muḥammad Bég. Besides the son referred to above, the petitioner has three brothers and they have all no objection to the transfer sought for.

4. The other allowance is a ceremonial allowance known as the "ásár-i-sharíf," and the amount is Rs. 4-4-0 *per mensem*. This was continued in the name of the petitioner, Muḥammad Bég, in G.O., No. 209, Political, dated 7th April 1876. The ceremonies in this case consist in a tuft of the hair of the Prophet being preserved in a silver casket, for which daily and periodical ceremonies are performed. The continuance of this allowance is reported to be necessary.

5. The Tahsildar and the Sub-Collector recommend that the two allowances may be transferred to the name of Mirzá Aḥmad 'Alí Sulṭán as prayed for by the petitioner, Muḥammad Bég. I see no objection to this, and accordingly recommend that the two allowances now enjoyed by the petitioner, Muḥammad Bég, may be transferred to the name of his minor son, Mirzá Aḥmad 'Alí Sulṭán, and that the services may be got done by a gumasta till the minor attains age.

ENCLOSURE.

PETITION from MUḤAMMAD BÉG ṢÁḤIB, a relative of the late Nabobs Ḥaidar 'Alí Khán and Ṭípú Sulṭán, residing at Vellore, to the Collector of North Arcot, dated 17th May 1900.

That your petitioner is a close relative of the late Nabobs Ḥaidar 'Alí Khán and Ṭípú Sulṭán. The British Government in their orders, Nos. 481 and 733, dated 7th August and 17th November 1876, having sanctioned in the name of the petitioner a monthly allowance of Rs. 50 for the performance of periodical ceremonies for the tomb of his aunt Fáṭimá Khánam Bégam, the second wife of His Highness Ḥaidar 'Alí Khán, which he continues to receive up to the present date and the ceremonies being managed by the petitioner in a satisfactory manner.

The petitioner has been discharging the duties of the tomb to the best of his ability and power, and now he has been reduced to old age and bodily infirmity and he is often been attacked with divers diseases; he is at present 67 years of age. The copies of his testimonials and the order of Government are herewith attached for your perusal.

The petitioner therefore has resolved to submit this application for your favourable considerarion and to request that the allowance which he now receives may be transferred in the name of his son Mirzá Aḥmad 'Alí Sulṭán who is 16 years of age.

The petitioner having two brothers, as named in the margin, who having no male children and who are also willing for the continuance of the abovesaid allowance in the name of petitioner's son. The petitioner requests for an enquiry should be made on this matter in proof of his statement.

(1) Nazir 'Alí Bég.
(2) Dávúd Bég.

That in compliance to the concession applied for is not unprecedented—for instance, there are two persons in Vellore who having transferred their yeomiah pensions, the one named Muḥammad Fakhr-ud-din Ṣáḥib Katib who transferred his yeomiah pension in the name of his daughter during his life time, and the other is Ghulám Ghouṣ Muḥammad Khán Ṣáḥib who got his mother-in-law's allowance which was transferred in his name while he was alive.

The petitioner also enjoying the ásár-i-sharíf allowance of Rs. 4-4-0 per mensem with a request that this allowance may also be transferred in the name of petitioner's son.

That in submitting this application the petitioner is quite confident that he would instruct his son in the way of managing the affairs of the tomb of Fáṭimá Khánam Bégam and ásár-i-sharíf while the petitioner is alive.

For which act of rendering kindness the petitioner, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

From R. H. CAMPBELL, Esq., I.C.S., Acting Collector and District Magistrate, North Arcot, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Chittoor, 9th April 1901, Dis. No. 763 Acc.-D.

In continuation of this office Dis. No. 407 Acc.-D., dated 20th February 1901, I have the honour to report as follows.

2. The tomb allowance of Rs. 50 enjoyed by Muḥammad Bég was granted for the following purposes:—

	RS.
For *superintendence*	20
„ annual ceremony, etc.	8
„ flowers, sweetmeats, etc.	2
„ Koran reader	{ 4 { 3
„ daroothy	{ 2 { 2
„ servant	$3\frac{1}{2}$
„ charity	$1\frac{1}{2}$
„ daroga	4
Total ..	50

G.O., No. 374, Political, dated 18th June 1892 (clause 2 of paragraph 10), directs the sum of Rs. 20 for superintendence to be continued as a pension for the life of Muḥammad Bég, after which it will be absolutely resumed. The remaining amount of Rs. 30, once resumed, was ordered to be restored to the recipient in G.O., No. 262, Political, dated 19th April 1898, on condition that the grantee utilized the full amount for the services for which they were originally granted and did not appropriate any portion for his own use. I am of opinion that the sum of Rs. 20, which is practically a life pension granted to Muḥammad Bég, should not be transferred to the name of his son. Muḥammad Bég alone should draw the amount during his lifetime, after which it will absolutely cease. The balance of Rs. 30 alone may be transferred to the name of Muḥammad Bég's son as required by him.

Order—No. 373, Political, dated 25th June 1901.

The Governor in Council is not prepared to entertain the request of Muḥammad Bég that the allowances enjoyed by him should be transferred to the name of his son, Mirzá Aḥmad 'Alí Sulṭán.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Collector of North Arcot.

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G.O., No. 374, 25th June 1901.

JUNE.

Carnatic Stipendiaries.

Sanctioning the list of bonuses of the heirs of the late Carnatic stipendiary Jáni Bégam.

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POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—again the following paper :—

G.O., Mis. No. 260, Political, dated 2nd May 1901.

Read—the following paper :—

From Major R. F. R. FORMBY, I.S.C., Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Chepauk, 19th April 1901, No. 165.

I have the honour to report the demise, on the 28th February 1901, of Carnatic stipendiary No. 1308-I, Jání Bégam, who was in the enjoyment of a monthly stipend of Rs. 20–6–6 by G.O., No. 142, Political, dated 31st March 1874.

2. The deceased has left two sons, a daughter and a grandson (son by a predeceased daughter). As her stipend is returned continuable in appendix F to G.O., No. 359, Political, dated 22nd May 1885 (*vide* serial No. 15, appendix A, part II of G.O., No. 346, Political, dated 29th May 1900, page 5), I beg to recommend the grant of Rs. 10–3–3, being a moiety of the lapsed stipend, to be apportioned amongst the four heirs of the deceased in the scale approved of by G.O., No. 778, Political, dated 29th November 1888.

	RS.	A.	P.
1. Muḥammad Ghauṣ Muneer, aged about 40 years, shadi son, ten shares	3	11	5
2. Qádir Muḥí-ud-dín, aged about 35 years, shadi son, ten shares	3	11	4
3. Aḥmad-un-nisá Bégam, aged about 30 years, shadi daughter, five shares	1	13	8
4. Núr-ulláh Ḥusain, aged about 21 years, shadi grandson (shadi son of a predeceased shadi daughter), two and-a-half shares.	0	14	10
Total (twenty-seven and-a-half shares) ..	10	3	3

3. The shares of all the above four members to be capitalized and paid off under paragraph I, clause (*b*), of G.O., No. 359, Political, dated 22nd May 1885. On receipt of orders from Government on my present report, I will submit in due course the health and age certificates, together with a list of bonus amounts which each individual will be entitled to get under the existing rules and scales, through the Accountant-General, Madras, as usual.

Order—Mis. No. 260, Political, dated 2nd May 1901.

The proposals of the Paymaster are approved.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends.
„ Accountant-General.

READ—also the following paper:—

From Major R. F. R. FORMBY, I.S.C., Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends, to the Chief Secretary to Government (through the Accountant-General), dated Chepauk, 11th June 1901, No. 230.

With reference to G.O., No. 260, Political, dated 2nd May 1901, I have the honour to subjoin a list of the heirs of the late Jání Bégam, showing the amount of bonus that each is entitled to receive under the rules. Their age and health certificates are also attached.

Stipend number.	Names.	Age in 1901.	Amount *per mensem.*	Amount *per annum.*	Value of annuity.	Bonus.	Arrears from 1st March to 30th June 1901.
		YRS.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.		RS.	RS. A. P.
1308-I / 1	Muḥammad Ghauṣ Muneer ..	50	3 11 5	44 9 0	8·456	377	14 13 8
1308-I / 2	Qádir Muḥí-ud-dín	30	3 11 4	44 8 0	11·237	500	14 13 4
1308-I / 3	Aḥmad-un-nisá Bégam	30	1 13 8	22 4 0	11·311	252	7 6 8
1308-I / 4	Núr-ulláh Ḥusain	20	0 14 10	11 2 0	12·050	134	3 11 4
	Total ..	..	10 3 3	122 7 0	..	1,263	40 13 0

No. Pen. P. 311/2824.

Submitted to Government.

The commutation value, as noted by the Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends, against the name of each stipendiary, is correct.

FORT ST. GEORGE,
18*th June* 1901.

(Signed) W. DOBBIE,
Accountant-General.

To the Chief Secretary to Government.

ORDER—No. 374, Political, dated 25th June 1901.

Sanctioned.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends.
" Accountant-General.

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G.O., No. 375, 26th June 1901.

JUNE.

Annual Return of Officers in Foreign Service in Native States in the Madras Presidency.

Communicating to all political officers, with remarks, letter from the Government of India requesting that in future returns (including that for 1900–1901) in any case in which a contribution towards leave or pension has not been received, the reason may be given in the column of "Remarks."

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POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—again the following paper :—

G.O., No. 264, Political, dated 24th April 1899.

Abstract.—Passing orders on letter from the Government of India directing the submission, in future, to the Secretary of State for India of the return of officers lent to Native States annually instead of quarterly.

Read—also the following paper :—

From J. B. WOOD, Esq., Under Secretary to the Government of India in the Foreign Department, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Madras, dated Simla, 18th June 1901, No. 1054-G.

I am directed to refer to the letter from the Government of India in the Foreign Department, No. 359-G., dated the 11th March 1899, regarding the preparation of the annual return of officers in foreign service in Native States in the Madras Presidency.

2. I am to request that, with the permission of the Governor in Council, in future returns (including that for 1900–1901), in any case in which a contribution towards leave or pension has not been received, the reason may be given in the column of "Remarks".

Order—No. 375, Political, dated 26th June 1901.

Communicated, in continuation of G.O., No. 264, Political, dated 24th April 1899, to all political officers.

2. The information required to be embodied in the return for 1900–1901 should be furnished without delay.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Resident in Travancore and Cochin.
" Political Agent, Pudukkóttai.
" " Banganapalle.
" " Sandúr.
" Accountant-General.

Copy to the Public Works Department.
" " Revenue Department.

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G.O., No. 376, 26th June 1901.

JUNE.

Carnatic Stipends.

Accepting the recommendation of the Paymaster, —, for the grant of a compassionate allowance of Rs. 8-1-11 per mensem to Bi Bégam, widow of the deceased Carnatic stipendiary No. 4406, Saiyid Muḥammad Ẕákir.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following paper:—

From Major R. F. R. FORMBY, I.S.C., Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends, to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Chepâk, 10th June 1901, No. 228.

I have the honour to report the demise on the 11th May 1901 of Carnatic stipendiary No. 4406, Saiyid Muḥammad Zákir, who was drawing a stipend of Rupees 16-3-11 under G.O., No. 265, Political, dated 9th September 1863. The deceased was also a Government pensioner who served as a translator in the Petition department of the Chief Secretariat, Fort Saint George.

2. The deceased has left a shadi widow, named Bí Bégam, who is aged about forty years, whose name he has duly registered in this office in September 1887. Saiyid Muḥammad Zákir is one of those fifty males whose registry of their wives was allowed by Government to stand under G.O., No. 385, Political, dated 22nd June 1892. His name will be found at page 8, serial No. 24, part III, appendix B to G.O., No. 346, Political, dated 29th May 1900.

3. I submit her case for the favourable consideration of Government, and beg to recommend the continuation of a monthly stipend of Rs. 8-1-11 for her life, on compassionate grounds, with effect from the day following the lapse.

Order—No. 376, Political, dated 26th June 1901.

The Paymaster's recommendation is accepted.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

To the Paymaster, Carnatic Stipends.
„ Accountant-General.

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G.O., No. 378, 27th June 1901.

JUNE.

Consul for Germany at Cochin.

Recording letter from the Government of India forwarding copy of a despatch from the Secretary of State communicating the confirmation by His Majesty's Government of the appointment of Mr. C. F. Roth as —, and stating that the recognition of the appointment has been announced in the *Gazette of India*; and directing republication of the notification in the *Fort St. George Gazette*.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

POLITICAL DEPARTMENT.

Read—again the following paper:—

G.O., Nos. 183, 184, Political, dated 23rd March 1901.

Read—also the following paper:—

From J. B. Wood, Esq., Under Secretary to the Government of India in the Foreign Department, to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George, dated Simla, the 17th June 1901, No. 1047-G.

With reference to the correspondence ending with your letter No. 184 (Political), dated the 23rd March 1901, I am directed to forward a copy of a Political despatch from His Majesty's Secretary of State for India, No 46, dated the 24th May 1901, and to state that the recognition of the appointment of Mr. C. F. Roth as Consul for Germany at Cochin has been announced in the *Gazette of India* by notification in the Foreign Department, No. 1046-G., dated the 17th June 1901.

Enclosure.

Despatch from the Right Honourable Lord George Hamilton, His Majesty's Secretary of State for India, to His Excellency the Right Honourable the Governor-General of India in Council, dated India Office, London, 24th May 1901, No. 46, Political.

With reference to the telegram of your Excellency's Government of the 26th March last, I have to communicate the confirmation by His Majesty's Government of the appointment of Mr. C. F. Roth as Consul for Germany at Cochin.

2. The attention of the German Government has been called to the understanding arrived at in 1873.

Order—No. 378, Political, dated 27th June 1901.

Recorded.

2. The notification will be republished in the *Fort St. George Gazette*.

(True Extract.)

G. STOKES,
Chief Secretary.

C. F. Roth, Esq., Consul for Germany at Cochin.
Gazette.